STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3201

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 3 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2251

H.D. 1 S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2251, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOUSING LOAN AND MORTGAGE PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to ensure that the Housing Loan and Mortgage Program, commonly known as the Hula Mae Multifamily Revenue Bond Program, can continue to finance the development and preservation of affordable rental housing in future years by increasing the Hula Mae Multifamily Revenue Bond Program authorization limit from \$750,000,000 to \$1,000,000,000.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

Your Committee finds that the lack of affordable housing continues to be one of the State's most significant and challenging social problems and is a critical issue for many Hawaii residents. Your Committee further finds that the Housing Loan and Mortgage Program, commonly known as the Hula Mae Multifamily Revenue Bond Program, is an effective and widely used financing tool for the development and preservation of affordable rental housing. Your Committee believes that increasing the Housing Loan and Mortgage Program revenue bond authority limit

will further promote the development and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing projects and offer many Hawaii homebuyers the opportunity to own their own home.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the proposed Hula Mae Multifamily Program revenue bond authorization limit from \$1,000,000,000 to an unspecified amount to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2251, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2251, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DAVID Y. IGE Char

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 1251, HDI	Committee Referral: HMS,WHM		Dat	Date: 3-25-14	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)		\			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)		\			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		V			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.		V			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		V			
ESPERO, Will					
KAHELE, Gilbert		V			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	***	V			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.		V			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.		V			
THIELEN, Laura H.		V			
TOKUDA, Jill N.		V			
SLOM, Sam					
					
					:
		13	0	0	0
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Shuhlle Adani					
Distribution: Original Yellow Pink Goldenrod File with Committee Report Clerk's Office Drafting Agency Committee File Copy					

*Only one measure per Record of Votes